## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WASHINGTON, D.C.

Agreements Adopted by the Traffic Conferences of the International Air Transport Association

Docket OST-2004-

# APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS BY THE INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION

30 July 2004

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Summary DOCKET: **OST-2004-** US DOT ORDER: **pending** 

Date: 30 July 2004

Filing fee / IATA Acct: USD61 / A605-9329

US/UST involved: No

End of Government Filing Period: 10 August 2004 Intended effective date: 15 August 2004

Agreement: PTC2 EUR-ME 0190 dated 30 July 2004

Mail Vote 399 - Resolution 010q

TC2 Within Europe, Europe-Africa, Europe-Middle East

Special Passenger Amending Resolution

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### APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT

Pursuant to statements submitted by Member airlines of the International Air Transport Association (IATA), the undersigned has been constituted to be their attorney-in-fact for filing with the Department of Transportation copies of agreements adopted by the IATA Traffic Conferences.

On their behalf, and pursuant to Sections 41308 and 41309 of Title 49 of the United States Code and Parts 303.03, 303.05 and 303.30(c) of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, I am filing with the Department this application for approval of an IATA agreement.

This agreement and related factual and explanatory material and documentation required by 14 C.F.R. 303.31 and Department and Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) precedent are contained in the IATA Traffic Conference documentation summarized above.

This agreement arises from the continuing process of Tariff Coordinating Conferences and was developed in the context of prior Department and CAB rulings addressing related resolutions which reflected regulatory and market conditions then in effect. Thus, the present agreement should be viewed as part of a dynamic process of IATA Member airline adjustment to governmental and economic factors.

On previous occasions, the Department has found such agreements to be consistent with the public interest when they do not result in fares or rates that are unlawful or injurious to competition in the markets at issue. Approval of the present agreement would not yield fares or rates that are unlawful or injurious to competition. Moreover, approval of this agreement, which reflects compromises among the differing economic and social philosophies of the many nations whose airlines are parties, will advance the public interest in maintaining good aviation relations with other countries.

We request early approval by the Department of the foregoing agreement, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41309, and the grant of full antitrust immunity, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41308.

The conferral of full antitrust immunity would be in the public interest and necessary for the transaction to proceed. This agreement is a product of the IATA Tariff Coordinating Conferences which the Department found to be anticompetitive but nevertheless approved and immunized in Order 85-5-32 (May 6, 1985) on foreign policy and comity grounds because such action is necessary to achieve the serious transportation need of maintaining good aviation relations with other countries and these benefits are not obtainable by reasonably available means having materially less anticompetitive effects.

This agreement concerns fares or rates between non-U.S. points and thus has at most indirect application in foreign air transportation. The U.S. authorities have recognized (e.g, Order 79-8-194, 30 August 1979) that the interests of sovereign nations in the conditions governing air transportation between them greatly exceed any that the U.S. might have by reason of U.S. airline, citizen or shipper participation. This agreement is not adverse to the public interest or in violation of the Act and, therefore, should be granted full immunity.

Respectfully submitted

David M. O'Connor Senior Director, United States International Air Transport Association Attorney-in-fact

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

A copy of this application or a summary notice thereof has been served by first class or priority mail on the following person

Chief, Transportation, Energy & Agriculture Section Antitrust Division Department of Justice Washington D.C. 20530

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David M. O'Connor

30 July 2004 Date Served

## International Air Transport Association



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30 July 2004

#### MEMORANDUM

PTC2 EUR-ME 0190

TO: Members Participating in Tariff Coordinating Conferences (SP-3432)

FROM: Director, Interline Tariffs

**SUBJECT:** Mail Vote 399 - Resolution 010q

TC2 Within Europe, Europe-Africa, Europe-Middle East

Special Passenger Amending Resolution

From Algeria

Intended Effective Date: 15 August 2004

#### **VOTING RESULT - ADOPTED**

As no negative votes were cast during the voting period which expired 1400 hours Geneva time 26 July 2004 for Europe-Africa and Europe-Middle East, and 1400 hours Geneva time 29 July 2004 for Within Europe, Mail Vote 399, as circulated by MV399-1 dated 19 July 2004 and amended by MV399-2 dated 19 July 2004 and MV399-3 dated 27 July 2004 is declared adopted on 27 July 2004 for Europe-Africa and Europe-Middle East, and on 29 July 2004 for Within Europe.

Air Algérie requests this Mail Vote to increase fares from Algeria to Africa, Europe and Middle East in order to reduce directional imbalances.

The filing period for this Mail Vote ends **10 August 2004**. Members are reminded of their obligations under Resolutions 001 and 006 to advise this office by the end of the filing period whether approval by their Government authorities is required and, if so, to accomplish the necessary filing formalities. The effective date will be declared in accordance with Resolutions 001 and 006, when all the known necessary Government approvals have been received.

Margaret Goggin

Manager, Conference Services

**Interline Tariffs** 

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# TC2 SPECIAL PASSENGER AMENDING RESOLUTION WITHIN EUROPE, EUROPE-AFRICA, EUROPE-MIDDLE EAST

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## RESOLVED that,

# 1) from Algeria to Europe: fares are amended as follows

From	To	Normal and Special Fares
Algeria except	Europe except	+10%
Algiers (ALG)	Alicante (ALC)	+2%
	Casablanca (CAS)	+13%
	Luxembourg (LUX)	+12%
	Milan (MIL)	+5%
	Moscow (MOW)	+1%
	Prague (PRG)	+12%
	St Petersburg (LED)	status quo
	Tunis (TUN)	+11%
Annaba (AAE) Bejaia (BJA) Constantine (CZL)	Luxembourg (LUX)	+12%
Ower (ODN)	Cll (CAC)	. 120/
Oran (ORN)	Casablanca (CAS)	+13%
	Fez (FEZ)	+13%
	Istanbul (IST)	+5%

# 2) from Algeria to Libya, Western Africa: fares are amended as follows

From	То	Normal and Special Fares	
Algiers (ALG)	Abidjan (ABJ)	+9%	
	Bamako (BKO)	+10%	
	Bissau (OXB)	+10%	
	Brazzaville (BZV)	+1%	
	Conakry (CKY)	+10%	
	Dakar (DKR)	+12%	
	Lome (LFW)	+10%	
	Niamey (NIM)	+12%	
	Nouakchott (NKC)	+14%	
	Ouagadougou (OUA)	+5%	
	Tripoli (TIP)	+4%	

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# 3) from Algeria to Middle East: fares are amended as follows

From	То	Normal and Special Fares
Algiers (ALG)	Amman (AMM)	+10%
	Beirut (BEY)	+10%
	Cairo (CAI)	+10%
	Damascus (DAM)	+10%